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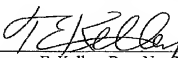
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: application of David F. Bush *et al.*

Group Art Unit: 1634

Serial No. 09/692,412

Examiner: Juliet C. Einsmann

For: Plant Polymorphic Markers and Uses Thereof

Petition for Extension of Time and
Amendment

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Petition for Extension of Time

To timely respond to the Office Action mailed February 26, 2003 with a 3 month shortened statutory period for reply expiring on May 26, 2003, applicant submits herewith a Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) specifically requesting a two month extension, i.e. to July 26, 2003. The fee is paid by authorization to charge the deposit account identified in the Petition.

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)		Docket Number (Optional)
In re Application of David F. Bush et al.		
Application Number	09/692,412	Filed 10/20/2000
For Plant Polymorphic Markers and Uses Thereof		
Group Art Unit	1634	Examiner Juliet C. Einsmann
<p>This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.</p> <p>The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) \$ _____</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$ 410</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$ _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) \$ _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) \$ _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 134125. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.</p> <p>I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a). Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) _____</p> <p>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p> <p><u>July 25, 2003</u> Date</p> <p><u></u> Signature</p> <p><u>Thomas E. Kelley, Reg. No. 29,938</u> Typed or printed name</p> <p>NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Total of _____ forms are submitted.</p>		

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